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### Prices

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## Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices October 2005

**Euro-zone\*** annual inflation, as measured by the Monetary Union Index of Consumer Prices (MUICP), was 2.5% in October 2005, down from 2.6% in September 2005. A year earlier the rate was 2.4%.

**EU** annual inflation, as measured by the European Index of Consumer Prices (EICP)\*\*, was 2.4% in October 2005, down from 2.5% in September 2005. A year earlier the rate was 2.2%.

**EEA** annual inflation, as measured by the European Economic Area Index of Consumer Prices (EEAICP), was 2.4% in October 2005.

In October 2005, the highest annual inflation rates in EU Member States were recorded in **Latvia** (7.7%), **Luxembourg** (5.0%), **Estonia** (4.5%) and **Greece** (3.7%); the lowest rates were observed in **Finland** (0.8%), **Sweden** (0.9%), the **Netherlands** (1.5%) and **Poland** (1.6%).

For the **USA\*\*\*** and **Japan\*\*\*** no October data was available in time for publication.

The annual inflation rates for the **euro-zone**, the **EU** and the latest available rates for the **USA\*\*\*** and **Japan\*\*\*** are shown in the graph below.

Methodological notes can be accessed via the Eurostat internet site under Publications/Methods and nomenclatures/Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices – [Short guide for users](#) (issue date: 17/05/2004).

\* The euro-zone comprises: Belgium, Germany, Greece, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal and Finland.

\*\* The EICP (EICP='European Index of Consumer Prices' as defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 of 23 October 1995) is the official EU aggregate. It covers 15 Member States until April 2004 and 25 Member States starting from May 2004. The ten new Member States are integrated into the EICP starting from May 2004 using a chain index formula.

\*\*\* For the USA and Japan the national CPIs are given, which are not strictly comparable with the HICPs.

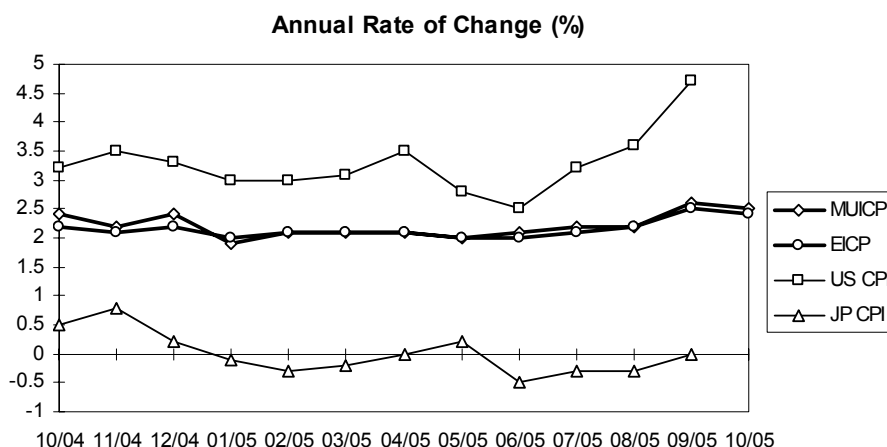


TABLE I  
HARMONIZED INDICES OF CONSUMER PRICES  
INDEX NUMBERS 1996 = 100

	Euro-zone	EICP	BE	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IE	IT	CY
<b>Annual Average Index</b>													
<b>2002</b>	110.9	110.8	110.7	133.0	113.4	107.6	139.4	124.8	116.8	108.3	121.5	113.8	117.5
<b>2003</b>	113.2	113.0	112.3	132.9	115.6	108.8	141.4	129.0	120.5	110.7	126.3	117.0	122.2
<b>2004</b>	115.7	115.3	114.4	136.3	116.7	110.7	145.6	133.0	124.1	113.3	129.2	119.7	124.5
<b>Monthly Index - 2003</b>													
<b>Jan</b>	111.9	111.7	110.0	132.6	114.5	108.2	141.1	126.4	118.5	109.3	123.9	115.2	119.5
<b>Feb</b>	112.4	112.2	112.3	132.8	115.3	108.8	141.5	126.1	118.7	110.1	125.1	114.7	119.7
<b>Mar</b>	113.1	112.8	112.6	132.8	116.2	109.0	141.8	129.3	119.6	110.6	126.0	116.1	122.4
<b>Apr</b>	113.2	113.0	112.4	133.0	116.2	108.7	141.6	129.6	120.6	110.4	126.6	117.0	123.3
<b>May</b>	113.1	112.9	112.0	133.0	115.9	108.4	141.3	130.2	120.5	110.3	126.4	117.2	123.0
<b>Jun</b>	113.2	112.9	112.4	133.1	115.9	108.6	140.8	130.0	120.6	110.5	126.5	117.3	122.4
<b>Jul</b>	113.1	112.8	111.1	133.0	115.2	108.9	141.0	127.3	119.9	110.4	126.0	117.2	120.2
<b>Aug</b>	113.3	113.1	113.0	132.9	115.1	109.0	141.0	127.3	120.5	110.7	126.8	116.8	120.9
<b>Sep</b>	113.7	113.5	113.2	132.4	116.0	108.8	141.4	129.9	120.8	111.2	127.0	117.7	123.4
<b>Oct</b>	113.8	113.6	112.8	132.6	115.7	108.7	141.7	130.4	121.6	111.4	127.0	118.1	124.4
<b>Nov</b>	113.9	113.6	113.0	133.0	115.9	108.5	141.6	130.6	122.0	111.5	127.0	118.4	124.2
<b>Dec</b>	114.2	113.9	113.0	133.2	115.7	109.5	141.4	131.4	122.2	111.6	127.5	118.4	122.9
<b>Monthly Index - 2004</b>													
<b>Jan</b>	114.0	113.7	111.5	135.3	115.6	109.5	142.0	130.3	121.2	111.7	126.7	117.7	121.4
<b>Feb</b>	114.2	113.9	113.6	135.4	116.1	109.7	142.3	129.4	121.3	112.2	127.8	117.5	121.4
<b>Mar</b>	115.0	114.6	113.7	135.6	116.7	110.2	142.8	133.1	122.2	112.7	128.3	118.8	122.5
<b>Apr</b>	115.5	115.0	114.3	135.7	116.8	110.5	143.7	133.6	123.9	113.0	128.7	119.7	123.4
<b>May</b>	115.9	115.5	114.7	136.5	117.2	110.7	146.5	134.2	124.6	113.4	129.0	119.9	124.5
<b>Jun</b>	115.9	115.5	114.6	136.7	116.9	110.7	147.0	133.9	124.8	113.5	129.7	120.1	125.3
<b>Jul</b>	115.7	115.3	113.4	137.1	116.5	111.1	146.6	131.3	123.9	113.3	129.2	119.8	123.7
<b>Aug</b>	115.9	115.5	115.3	137.1	116.1	111.3	146.5	130.9	124.5	113.5	130.0	119.6	124.3
<b>Sep</b>	116.1	115.7	115.2	136.1	117.0	110.9	146.8	133.7	124.7	113.6	130.1	120.2	125.6
<b>Oct</b>	116.5	116.1	115.8	136.7	117.5	111.1	147.3	134.7	126.0	114.0	130.2	120.6	126.9
<b>Nov</b>	116.4	116.0	115.6	136.5	117.1	110.7	147.9	134.8	126.3	114.0	130.5	120.8	127.4
<b>Dec</b>	116.9	116.5	115.2	136.5	116.8	111.9	148.2	135.5	126.2	114.2	130.6	121.2	127.7
<b>Monthly Index - 2005</b>													
<b>Jan</b>	116.2	115.9	113.7	137.3	116.5	111.3	147.9	135.8	125.0	113.5	129.3	120.0	124.8
<b>Feb</b>	116.6	116.3	116.2	137.3	117.3	111.7	148.8	133.5	125.3	114.3	130.4	119.9	124.3
<b>Mar</b>	117.4	117.0	116.9	137.2	118.2	112.1	149.7	136.9	126.4	115.1	130.7	121.3	125.4
<b>Apr</b>	117.9	117.5	117.1	137.6	118.8	112.1	150.4	138.0	128.2	115.3	131.5	122.3	126.8
<b>May</b>	118.2	117.8	117.3	137.7	118.7	112.5	150.7	138.5	128.4	115.3	131.8	122.7	127.1
<b>Jun</b>	118.3	117.9	117.7	138.5	118.9	112.7	151.7	138.2	128.8	115.5	132.2	122.7	127.2
<b>Jul</b>	118.2	117.8	116.5	139.0	118.7	113.2	152.3	136.4	128.0	115.3	132.1	122.4	125.3
<b>Aug</b>	118.5	118.1	118.6	139.0	118.8	113.4	152.7	135.6	128.6	115.8	132.7	122.2	126.2
<b>Sep</b>	119.1	118.6	118.6	138.8	119.8	113.8	154.0	138.8	129.4	116.3	133.7	122.9	128.3
<b>Oct</b>	119.4\$	118.9\$	118.4	140.1	119.7	113.8	153.9	139.7	130.4	116.3	133.7	123.7	129.7
<b>Nov</b>													
<b>Dec</b>													

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INDEX NUMBERS

LV	LT	LU	HU	MT	NL	AT	PL	PT	SI	SK	FI	SE	UK	
<b>Annual Average Index</b>														
123.5	118.1	112.1	187.8	119.5	118.2	108.8	162.8	118.4	157.7	155.4	112.0	109.7	108.3	<b>2002</b>
127.1	116.9	115.0	196.6	121.8	120.8	110.2	164.0	122.3	166.7	168.5	113.5	112.3	109.8	<b>2003</b>
135.0	118.2	118.7	209.9	125.1	122.5	112.3	169.9	125.3	172.8	181.1	113.7	113.4	111.2	<b>2004</b>
<b>Monthly Index - 2003</b>														
125.4	117.6	113.2	192.3	117.6	119.2	109.7	163.3	120.7	162.7	165.2	112.5	111.0	108.6	<b>Jan</b>
125.8	117.4	114.5	193.8	118.1	120.1	109.9	163.5	120.7	163.6	166.1	113.5	112.1	109.0	<b>Feb</b>
126.5	117.7	115.1	195.5	119.0	121.2	110.2	164.0	120.8	164.7	167.2	113.9	112.8	109.4	<b>Mar</b>
126.9	117.8	114.9	195.5	122.2	121.3	110.1	164.3	121.8	165.7	167.3	113.8	112.4	109.7	<b>Apr</b>
127.2	117.6	114.7	195.7	123.0	121.2	109.9	164.3	122.7	166.6	167.3	113.7	112.3	109.7	<b>May</b>
128.0	117.7	114.7	196.4	123.2	120.6	109.9	164.1	122.7	167.4	167.8	113.6	112.1	109.6	<b>Jun</b>
127.6	116.8	113.8	196.9	123.9	120.5	109.8	163.3	122.5	168.5	167.7	113.0	111.9	109.5	<b>Jul</b>
126.2	116.0	115.2	196.3	124.1	120.8	110.1	162.6	122.6	168.1	169.5	113.2	111.8	109.9	<b>Aug</b>
126.8	115.6	116.0	197.4	123.8	121.8	110.4	163.4	122.9	167.9	170.6	113.8	112.7	110.2	<b>Sep</b>
127.9	115.7	115.5	198.9	124.5	121.6	110.4	164.4	123.2	168.1	170.9	113.7	112.8	110.4	<b>Oct</b>
128.6	116.2	116.0	200.2	120.4	121.1	110.6	165.0	123.3	168.4	171.2	113.6	112.5	110.3	<b>Nov</b>
128.7	116.2	116.2	200.5	121.6	120.4	110.9	165.3	123.4	168.4	171.6	113.7	112.7	110.7	<b>Dec</b>
<b>Monthly Index - 2004</b>														
130.4	116.2	115.8	205.1	120.9	121.0	111.0	166.2	123.4	169.2	178.9	113.4	112.4	110.1	<b>Jan</b>
131.2	116.0	117.3	207.4	121.0	121.7	111.5	166.4	123.2	169.5	180.1	113.9	112.3	110.4	<b>Feb</b>
132.5	116.6	117.4	208.5	121.5	122.7	111.9	167.0	123.5	170.5	180.5	113.4	113.3	110.6	<b>Mar</b>
133.3	117.0	118.0	209.1	126.6	123.1	111.8	168.1	124.7	171.6	180.5	113.4	113.6	111.0	<b>Apr</b>
135.0	118.8	118.6	211.0	126.8	123.3	112.2	170.0	125.7	173.1	181.1	113.6	114.0	111.4	<b>May</b>
135.8	118.9	119.1	211.1	127.2	122.4	112.4	171.2	127.2	173.9	181.5	113.5	113.4	111.3	<b>Jun</b>
136.1	118.9	118.1	211.1	127.8	122.0	112.1	171.0	126.1	174.8	181.8	113.2	113.2	111.0	<b>Jul</b>
136.0	118.5	119.4	210.4	127.2	122.2	112.5	170.5	125.6	174.3	181.6	113.5	113.1	111.3	<b>Aug</b>
136.6	119.1	119.6	210.6	127.8	123.2	112.4	171.0	125.5	173.6	181.8	114.0	114.0	111.4	<b>Sep</b>
137.1	119.3	120.2	211.6	127.8	123.4	113.0	172.0	126.1	173.8	182.1	114.4	114.4	111.7	<b>Oct</b>
137.8	119.6	120.6	211.7	122.7	122.9	113.2	172.5	126.5	174.8	181.9	113.8	113.7	111.9	<b>Nov</b>
138.2	119.5	120.3	211.6	123.9	121.9	113.7	172.5	126.6	174.0	181.6	113.8	113.7	112.5	<b>Dec</b>
<b>Monthly Index - 2005</b>														
139.1	119.5	119.1	213.2	123.2	122.5	113.7	172.5	125.9	173.1	184.7	113.2	113.0	111.9	<b>Jan</b>
140.4	119.7	121.1	214.4	124.0	123.5	114.1	172.5	125.8	174.3	184.9	113.9	113.6	112.2	<b>Feb</b>
141.2	120.4	121.5	215.4	124.6	124.5	114.6	172.6	126.3	176.1	184.9	114.4	113.9	112.7	<b>Mar</b>
142.7	120.8	122.4	217.0	129.1	124.7	114.4	173.3	127.2	176.2	185.3	114.7	114.1	113.1	<b>Apr</b>
143.8	121.1	123.0	218.3	129.9	124.6	114.4	173.8	127.9	176.8	185.5	114.3	114.2	113.5	<b>May</b>
144.7	121.3	122.9	218.9	129.9	124.2	114.7	173.6	128.0	176.9	186.2	114.6	114.3	113.5	<b>Jun</b>
144.7	121.1	122.8	218.7	130.0	123.8	114.4	173.5	128.5	178.3	185.6	114.2	114.0	113.6	<b>Jul</b>
144.5	121.2	124.5	217.7	130.4	124.2	114.6	173.6	128.7	177.4	185.5	114.6	114.2	114.0	<b>Aug</b>
146.7	122.2	125.2	218.1	130.4	125.3	115.3	174.2#	128.9	179.1	186.0	115.3	115.2	114.2	<b>Sep</b>
147.7	122.9	126.2	218.2	131.6	125.3\$	115.3\$	174.7	129.4	179.4	188.5	115.3	115.4	114.3	<b>Oct</b>
														<b>Nov</b>
														<b>Dec</b>

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TABLE II  
HARMONIZED INDICES OF CONSUMER PRICES  
RATES OF CHANGE (%)

	Euro-zone	EICP	BE	CZ	DK	DE	EE	EL	ES	FR	IE	IT	CY
<b>Annual Average Rate of Change</b>													
2002/12	2.3	2.1	1.6	1.4	2.4	1.3	3.6	3.9	3.6	1.9	4.7	2.6	2.8
2003/12	2.1	2.0	1.5	-0.1	2.0	1.0	1.4	3.4	3.1	2.2	4.0	2.8	4.0
2004/12	2.1	2.0	1.9	2.6	0.9	1.8	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	1.9
2005/10	2.2\$	2.2\$	2.5	1.7	1.5	1.9	4.2	3.4	3.4	2.0	2.3	2.2	2.3
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2003</b>													
Jan	2.1	2.0	1.2	-0.7	2.6	0.9	2.5	3.3	3.8	1.9	4.7	2.9	4.5
Feb	2.4	2.3	1.6	-0.6	2.9	1.2	2.2	4.2	3.8	2.5	5.1	2.6	4.8
Mar	2.4	2.3	1.7	-0.6	2.8	1.2	2.2	3.9	3.7	2.6	4.9	2.9	6.3
Apr	2.1	2.0	1.4	-0.4	2.5	1.0	1.1	3.3	3.2	1.9	4.6	3.0	5.6
May	1.8	1.7	0.9	-0.3	2.1	0.6	0.7	3.5	2.7	1.8	3.9	2.9	4.9
Jun	1.9	1.8	1.5	0.0	2.0	0.9	0.4	3.6	2.8	1.9	3.8	2.9	3.7
Jul	1.9	1.8	1.4	-0.3	1.8	0.8	0.9	3.5	2.9	1.9	3.9	2.9	2.6
Aug	2.1	2.0	1.6	-0.2	1.5	1.1	1.4	3.3	3.1	2.0	3.9	2.7	2.4
Sep	2.2	2.0	1.7	0.0	1.7	1.1	1.5	3.3	3.0	2.3	3.8	3.0	3.3
Oct	2.0	1.9	1.4	0.5	1.1	1.1	1.2	3.2	2.7	2.3	3.3	2.8	3.7
Nov	2.2	2.0	1.8	0.9	1.4	1.3	1.2	3.2	2.9	2.5	3.3	2.8	3.8
Dec	2.0	1.8	1.7	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.2	3.1	2.7	2.4	2.9	2.5	2.2
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2004</b>													
Jan	1.9	1.8	1.4	2.0	1.0	1.2	0.6	3.1	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.2	1.6
Feb	1.6	1.5	1.2	2.0	0.7	0.8	0.6	2.6	2.2	1.9	2.2	2.4	1.4
Mar	1.7	1.5	1.0	2.1	0.4	1.1	0.7	2.9	2.2	1.9	1.8	2.3	0.1
Apr	2.0	1.8	1.7	2.0	0.5	1.7	1.5	3.1	2.7	2.4	1.7	2.3	0.1
May	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.6	1.1	2.1	3.7	3.1	3.4	2.8	2.1	2.3	1.2
Jun	2.4	2.3	2.0	2.7	0.9	1.9	4.4	3.0	3.5	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.4
Jul	2.3	2.2	2.1	3.1	1.1	2.0	4.0	3.1	3.3	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.9
Aug	2.3	2.1	2.0	3.2	0.9	2.1	3.9	2.8	3.3	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.8
Sep	2.1	2.0	1.8	2.8	0.9	1.9	3.8	2.9	3.2	2.2	2.4	2.1	1.8
Oct	2.4	2.2	2.7	3.1	1.6	2.2	4.0	3.3	3.6	2.3	2.5	2.1	2.0
Nov	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.6	1.0	2.0	4.4	3.2	3.5	2.2	2.8	2.0	2.6
Dec	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.5	1.0	2.2	4.8	3.1	3.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	3.9
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2005</b>													
Jan	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.5	0.8	1.6	4.2	4.2	3.1	1.6	2.1	2.0	2.8
Feb	2.1	2.1	2.3	1.4	1.0	1.8	4.6	3.2	3.3	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.4
Mar	2.1	2.1	2.8	1.2	1.3	1.7	4.8	2.9	3.4	2.1	1.9	2.1	2.4
Apr	2.1	2.1	2.4	1.4	1.7	1.4	4.7	3.3	3.5	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.8
May	2.0	2.0	2.3	0.9	1.3	1.6	2.9	3.2	3.0	1.7	2.2	2.3	2.1
Jun	2.1	2.0	2.7	1.3	1.7	1.8	3.2	3.2	3.2	1.8	1.9	2.2	1.5
Jul	2.2	2.1	2.7	1.4	1.9	1.9	3.9	3.9	3.3	1.8	2.2	2.2	1.3
Aug	2.2	2.2	2.9	1.4	2.3	1.9	4.2	3.6	3.3	2.0	2.1	2.2	1.5
Sep	2.6	2.5	3.0	2.0	2.4	2.6	4.9	3.8	3.8	2.4	2.8	2.2	2.1
Oct	2.5\$	2.4\$	2.2	2.5	1.9	2.4	4.5	3.7	3.5	2.0	2.7	2.6	2.2
Nov													
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LV	LT	LU	HU	MT	NL	AT	PL	PT	SI	SK	FI	SE	UK	
<b>Annual Average Rate of Change</b>														
2.0	0.4	2.1	5.2	2.6	3.9	1.7	1.9	3.7	7.5	3.5	2.0	2.0	1.3	2002/12
2.9	-1.1	2.5	4.7	1.9	2.2	1.3	0.7	3.3	5.7	8.4	1.3	2.3	1.4	2003/12
6.2	1.1	3.2	6.8	2.7	1.4	2.0	3.6	2.5	3.6	7.5	0.1	1.0	1.3	2004/12
6.9	2.7	3.8	3.9	2.2	1.4\$	2.2\$	2.7	2.1	2.7	3.2	0.6	0.8	2.0	2005/10
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2003</b>														
1.5	-1.8	3.3	4.8	0.8	2.7	1.7	0.4	4.0	6.7	7.1	1.4	2.6	1.4	Jan
2.1	-1.8	3.2	4.6	2.1	2.9	1.8	0.4	4.1	6.4	7.4	2.1	3.3	1.6	Feb
2.2	-1.0	3.7	4.8	2.4	2.8	1.8	0.4	3.8	6.3	8.1	1.9	2.9	1.6	Mar
2.4	-0.8	3.0	3.9	1.9	2.2	1.3	0.1	3.7	5.4	7.7	1.3	2.3	1.5	Apr
2.5	-0.8	2.3	3.5	1.9	2.3	0.9	0.3	3.7	5.6	7.6	1.1	2.0	1.2	May
3.7	-0.3	2.0	4.4	2.2	2.1	1.0	0.6	3.4	6.2	8.3	1.2	2.0	1.1	Jun
3.7	-0.8	1.9	4.7	1.7	2.1	1.0	0.7	2.9	6.1	8.5	1.0	2.4	1.3	Jul
3.4	-0.9	2.3	4.7	1.8	2.2	1.0	0.6	2.9	5.7	9.0	1.2	2.2	1.4	Aug
3.2	-0.8	2.7	4.6	1.7	2.0	1.4	0.7	3.2	5.1	9.2	1.2	2.3	1.4	Sep
3.3	-1.3	1.8	4.8	2.6	1.9	1.1	1.0	2.8	4.9	9.3	0.9	2.0	1.4	Oct
3.7	-0.9	2.0	5.6	1.8	2.0	1.3	1.5	2.3	5.3	9.5	1.2	2.0	1.3	Nov
3.5	-1.3	2.4	5.6	2.4	1.6	1.3	1.6	2.3	4.7	9.4	1.2	1.8	1.3	Dec
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2004</b>														
4.0	-1.2	2.3	6.7	2.8	1.5	1.2	1.8	2.2	4.0	8.3	0.8	1.3	1.4	Jan
4.3	-1.2	2.4	7.0	2.5	1.3	1.5	1.8	2.1	3.6	8.4	0.4	0.2	1.3	Feb
4.7	-0.9	2.0	6.6	2.1	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.2	3.5	8.0	-0.4	0.4	1.1	Mar
5.0	-0.7	2.7	7.0	3.6	1.5	1.5	2.3	2.4	3.6	7.9	-0.4	1.1	1.2	Apr
6.1	1.0	3.4	7.8	3.1	1.7	2.1	3.5	2.4	3.9	8.2	-0.1	1.5	1.5	May
6.1	1.0	3.8	7.5	3.2	1.5	2.3	4.3	3.7	3.9	8.2	-0.1	1.2	1.6	Jun
6.7	1.8	3.8	7.2	3.1	1.2	2.1	4.7	2.9	3.7	8.4	0.2	1.2	1.4	Jul
7.8	2.2	3.6	7.2	2.5	1.2	2.2	4.9	2.4	3.7	7.1	0.3	1.2	1.3	Aug
7.7	3.0	3.1	6.7	3.2	1.1	1.8	4.7	2.1	3.4	6.6	0.2	1.2	1.1	Sep
7.2	3.1	4.1	6.4	2.7	1.5	2.4	4.6	2.4	3.4	6.6	0.6	1.4	1.2	Oct
7.2	2.9	4.0	5.7	1.9	1.5	2.4	4.5	2.6	3.8	6.3	0.2	1.1	1.5	Nov
7.4	2.8	3.5	5.5	1.9	1.2	2.5	4.4	2.6	3.3	5.8	0.1	0.9	1.6	Dec
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2005</b>														
6.7	2.8	2.8	3.9	1.9	1.2	2.4	3.8	2.0	2.3	3.2	-0.2	0.5	1.6	Jan
7.0	3.2	3.2	3.4	2.5	1.5	2.3	3.7	2.1	2.8	2.7	0.0	1.2	1.6	Feb
6.6	3.3	3.5	3.3	2.6	1.5	2.4	3.4	2.3	3.3	2.4	0.9	0.5	1.9	Mar
7.1	3.2	3.7	3.8	2.0	1.3	2.3	3.1	2.0	2.7	2.7	1.1	0.4	1.9	Apr
6.5	1.9	3.7	3.5	2.4	1.1	2.0	2.2	1.8	2.1	2.4	0.6	0.2	1.9	May
6.6	2.0	3.2	3.7	2.1	1.5	2.0	1.4	0.6	1.7	2.6	1.0	0.8	2.0	Jun
6.3	1.9	4.0	3.6	1.7	1.5	2.1	1.5	1.9	2.0	2.1	0.9	0.7	2.3	Jul
6.3	2.3	4.3	3.5	2.5	1.6	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.8	2.1	1.0	1.0	2.4	Aug
7.4	2.6	4.7	3.6	2.0	1.7	2.6	1.9#	2.7	3.2	2.3	1.1	1.1	2.5	Sep
7.7	3.0	5.0	3.1	3.0	1.5\$	2.0\$	1.6	2.6	3.2	3.5	0.8	0.9	2.3	Oct
														Nov
														Dec

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TABLE III  
HARMONIZED INDICES OF CONSUMER  
PRICES  
INDEX NUMBERS 1996 = 100

	EEA	IS	NO	CH**
<b>Annual Average Index</b>				
2002	110.9	123.5	113.9	104.5
2003	113.0	125.2	116.2	105.2
2004	115.3	128.1	116.9	106.0
<b>Monthly Index - 2003</b>				
Jan	111.8	124.3	117.6	104.9
Feb	112.3	124.0	117.9	105.1
Mar	112.9	125.4	117.2	105.5
Apr	113.0	125.3	116.4	105.7
May	112.9	125.2	115.8	105.5
Jun	113.0	125.3	115.5	105.5
Jul	112.9	125.0	115.1	104.7
Aug	113.1	124.5	115.3	104.9
Sep	113.5	125.4	115.8	105.1
Oct	113.6	125.8	115.8	105.6
Nov	113.7	126.0	115.8	105.5
Dec	114.0	126.3	115.8	105.5
<b>Monthly Index - 2004</b>				
Jan	113.7	126.1	115.9	105.1
Feb	113.9	125.7	116.1	105.1
Mar	114.6	126.6	116.7	105.4
Apr	115.1	127.2	116.9	106.3
May	115.5	128.2	117.0	106.5
Jun	115.5	128.9	117.0	106.7
Jul	115.3	128.5	116.9	105.6
Aug	115.5	128.3	116.6	106.0
Sep	115.7	128.9	117.1	106.0
Oct	116.1	129.5	117.4	107.0
Nov	116.1	129.6	117.4	107.1
Dec	116.5	130.0	117.2	106.9
<b>Monthly Index - 2005</b>				
Jan	115.9	129.5	117.0	106.4
Feb	116.3	129.3	117.1	106.6
Mar	117.0	129.8	117.7	106.9
Apr	117.5	129.2	118.3	107.8
May	117.8	128.8	118.7	107.7
Jun	117.9	129.3	118.9	107.4
Jul	117.8	129.1	118.5	106.8
Aug	118.1	128.8	118.7	107.0
Sep	118.6	130.9	119.6	107.5
Oct	118.9\$	131.5	119.6	108.4
Nov				
Dec				

TABLE IV  
HARMONIZED INDICES OF CONSUMER  
PRICES  
RATES OF CHANGE (%)

EEA	IS	NO	CH**	
<b>Annual Average Rate of Change</b>				
2.1	5.3	0.8	0.6	2002/12
2.0	1.4	2.0	0.6	2003/12
2.0	2.3	0.6	0.8	2004/12
2.2\$	1.7	1.4	1.2	2005/10
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2003</b>				
2.0	1.1	4.2	0.8	Jan
2.3	1.1	4.1	0.9	Feb
2.3	1.9	3.2	1.3	Mar
2.0	1.9	2.5	0.7	Apr
1.7	1.8	1.8	0.4	May
1.8	1.3	1.5	0.5	Jun
1.8	0.9	1.2	0.3	Jul
1.9	1.0	1.8	0.5	Aug
2.0	1.2	1.5	0.5	Sep
1.9	1.1	1.3	0.5	Oct
2.0	1.5	1.0	0.5	Nov
1.8	1.8	0.1	0.6	Dec
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2004</b>				
1.7	1.4	-1.4	0.2	Jan
1.5	1.4	-1.5	0.1	Feb
1.5	1.0	-0.4	-0.1	Mar
1.8	1.5	0.4	0.5	Apr
2.3	2.4	1.0	0.9	May
2.3	2.9	1.3	1.1	Jun
2.2	2.8	1.6	0.9	Jul
2.1	3.1	1.1	1.0	Aug
2.0	2.8	1.1	0.9	Sep
2.2	2.9	1.4	1.3	Oct
2.1	2.9	1.4	1.5	Nov
2.2	2.9	1.2	1.3	Dec
<b>Annual Rate of Change - 2005</b>				
2.0	2.7	0.9	1.2	Jan
2.1	2.9	0.9	1.4	Feb
2.1	2.5	0.9	1.4	Mar
2.1	1.6	1.2	1.4	Apr
2.0	0.5	1.5	1.1	May
2.0	0.3	1.6	0.7	Jun
2.1	0.5	1.4	1.2	Jul
2.2	0.4	1.8	1.0	Aug
2.5	1.6	2.1	1.4	Sep
2.4\$	1.5	1.9	1.3	Oct
				Nov
				Dec

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TABLE V

## MAIN CATEGORIES OF HARMONIZED INDICES OF CONSUMER PRICES

October 2005 / October 2004

ANNUAL RATES OF CHANGE (%)

	00.	01.	02.	03.	04.	05.	06.	07.	08.	09.	10.	11.	12.
<b>Euro-zone</b>	2.5\$	1.0\$	5.7\$	0.4\$	5.0\$	0.7\$	1.5\$	5.3\$	-2.9\$	0.2\$	2.5\$	2.5\$	1.9\$
<b>EICP</b>	2.4\$	1.0\$	4.3\$	-0.7\$	5.2\$	0.5\$	1.9\$	5.4\$	-2.4\$	-0.2\$	3.2\$	2.8\$	2.3\$
<b>BE</b>	2.2	1.2	3.3	0.1	3.3	0.9	2.1	6.6	-1.2	-0.3	1.6	3.3	2.4
<b>CZ</b>	2.5	0.3	0.1	-6.5	6.9	-2.0	6.6	6.4	5.9	2.9	2.6	2.6	1.1
<b>DK</b>	1.9	1.2	0.7	-0.4	4.2	1.0	1.8	3.9	-1.5	-1.1	1.1	2.3	2.2
<b>DE</b>	2.4	0.7	10.5	-1.3	4.5	-0.3	0.9	4.5	-1.9	0.9	1.6	0.8	1.1
<b>EE</b>	4.5	1.5	3.6	3.8	8.0	1.5	2.2	14.5	-4.1	1.7	2.3	2.4	2.9
<b>EL</b>	3.7	2.7	3.4	3.6	9.1	1.5	4.1	4.2	2.4	1.6	3.7	3.0	3.1
<b>ES</b>	3.5	2.9	4.9	1.6	5.8	2.2	0.8	7.2	-2.0	-0.2	4.5	4.3	2.9
<b>FR</b>	2.0	0.5	0.2	0.0	4.9	0.7	1.7	5.3	-2.5	-1.0	3.1	2.4	1.7
<b>IE</b>	2.7	-0.6	0.8	-3.0	12.1	-1.2	6.2	6.4	-0.5	-0.5	4.7	3.1	2.3
<b>IT</b>	2.6	0.3	7.3	1.5	6.2	1.5	0.9	5.5	-3.9	1.1	3.1	2.1	2.5
<b>CY</b>	2.2	4.4	-1.2	-4.3	11.7	0.4	-1.5	4.9	-9.1	-1.5	4.9	2.1	2.5
<b>LV</b>	7.7	9.5	6.3	-0.6	9.0	3.7	10.4	15.6	-4.6	2.1	8.8	11.5	7.2
<b>LT</b>	3.0	3.4	-0.8	-1.0	6.5	-1.5	6.1	10.8	-3.7	1.4	-1.4	3.0	0.2
<b>LU</b>	5.0	2.2	6.1	0.5	8.1	1.7	2.0	11.3	-5.2	1.3	5.1	3.3	1.6
<b>HU</b>	3.1	1.5	0.4	0.2	6.6	-0.8	12.8	4.8	-0.8	1.8	7.1	4.9	3.2
<b>MT</b>	3.0	4.4	1.9	3.4	7.7	2.1	4.9	5.7	4.0	2.7	2.0	-1.5	3.1
<b>NL</b>	1.5\$	-0.5\$	1.1\$	-2.4\$	5.7\$	0.0\$	1.0\$	4.5\$	-3.8\$	-0.6\$	-15.6\$	1.5\$	2.3\$
<b>AT</b>	2.0\$	1.3\$	6.5\$	-0.2\$	5.4\$	0.0\$	5.3\$	5.0\$	-10.1\$	-1.7\$	1.0\$	2.3\$	1.7\$
<b>PL</b>	1.6	0.5	2.7	-6.0	3.3	0.2	2.8	5.6	0.1	-0.7	1.7	1.8	0.4
<b>PT</b>	2.6	-0.3	5.0	0.0	4.6	1.2	0.6	7.6	-1.1	1.0	8.0	1.6	2.3
<b>SI</b>	3.2	0.8	5.0	-0.6	9.3	4.3	-1.3	4.5	-0.9	2.2	5.7	4.3	2.2
<b>SK</b>	3.5	-1.7	-0.5	-0.7	12.6	-2.2	5.3	2.7	-0.5	1.0	30.9	3.1	3.5
<b>FI</b>	0.8	-0.4	1.2	-0.6	2.7	0.3	1.2	3.2	-14.3	-0.4	2.8	1.9	1.1
<b>SE</b>	0.9	-1.2	1.0	0.2	2.8	-1.2	1.5	4.3	-7.0	-1.7	3.1	2.2	2.6
<b>UK</b>	2.3	1.5	1.9	-5.4	6.6	-0.2	3.0	5.8	-1.6	-1.5	4.7	3.7	4.2
<b>EEA</b>	2.4\$	1.0\$	4.3\$	-0.7\$	5.2\$	0.5\$	1.9\$	5.4\$	-2.4\$	-0.2\$	3.2\$	2.8\$	2.3\$
<b>IS</b>	1.5	-1.7	3.2	-0.9	4.9	-2.3	3.9	1.8	4.9	0.8	12.8	2.4	4.1
<b>NO</b>	1.9	2.2	2.2	-2.9	2.4	0.0	3.0	4.5	-0.5	1.0	2.2	1.5	2.0

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